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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director

SUBJECT : Chairman of GMAIC

1. The present chairman, Colonel McFarland, Air Force, is due to be reassigned early June and at the meeting of USIB of 4 April 1962, nominations to fill the post were requested. Nominations have been submitted by the following: Army, Colonel Clarence C. Harvey, Jr.; and CIA, Dr. Albert D. Wheelon.

2. Pete Scoville, Ray Cline, the senior officers of OSI and I all feel very strongly that Bud Wheelon should be designated by you for this post. Bud himself has written a brief strongly pleading his case, and when he was here recently re affirmed the fact that it would mean a great deal to him in the discharge of his responsibilities also to act as chairman of GMAIC.

3. In view of the strong feeling on the part of the military to have an officer designated GMAIC Chairman, it is our view in the Agency that you touch base with either Secretary McNamara or Mr. Gilpatric on this subject.

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4. Since Colonel McFarland's departure, Wheelon's arrival here to take his OSI post and your planned departure will all approximately coincide, I believe it is desirable that you make your selection before June.

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